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## POPULATION: ALASKA

# NUMBER OF INHABITANTS, BY JUDICIAL DISTRICTS AND MINOR CIVIL DIVISIONS

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### TOTAL POPULATION, INCREASE, AND DISTRIBUTION,

Population of the territory.—Alaska was purchased by the United States from the Russian government in March, 1867. The first enumeration of its population by the United States was made in 1880 and consisted of a canvass of all accessible settlements, supplemented by estimates—based mainly upon records or upon the personal knowledge of missionary priests—for those regions which could not be visited by the canvassers. A similar practice was followed in 1890, but the area actually canvassed in that year was larger than that

visited in 1880, and at each subsequent census the enumerations have been more nearly complete and accurate.

According to the Fourteenth Census, taken as of January 1, 1920, the population of Alaska is 54,899, which represents a decrease of 9,457, or 14.7 per cent, since 1910. The following summary shows the population of Alaska from 1880 to 1920, inclusive, together with the number and per cent of increase or decrease for each decade:

### POPULATION OF ALASKA: 1880 TO 1920.

[A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.]

CENSUS YEAR.	Population.	INCERIASE OVER PRECUDING CENSUS.			
Christian I have		Number.	Per cent.		
1920 1910 1900 1890 1880	54, 899 64, 356 69, 592 32, 052 33, 426	-0,457 $764$ $31,540$ $-1,374$	-14.7 $1.2$ $98.4$ $-4.1$		

Density of population.—The gross land and water area of Alaska is 590,884 square miles, which is nearly equal to one-fifth of the gross area of the United States, exclusive of outlying possessions (3,026,789 square miles), and slightly exceeds the combined area of the three Pacific Coast states-Washington, Oregon, and California-and Texas. Based upon gross area, the density of population, or number of inhabitants per square mile of territory, in Alaska is less than onetenth of 1 in 1920, as against slightly more than onetenth of 1 in 1910. The density in 1920 is equivalent to an average area of 10.8 square miles, or 6,888 acres, to each inhabitant. For the United States, exclusive of outlying possessions, the average number of persons per square mile in 1920 is 34.9, while the average area to each inhabitant is 18.3 acres.

Judicial districts and minor civil divisions. - By the act of March 3, 1909, Alaska was divided into four judicial districts, which are outlined on the map on page 2. The political units into which the judicial districts are divided are collectively termed "minor civil divisions." Of these, the recorders' districts, 52 in number, constitute the primary divisions (see Table 1), while the secondary divisions, which number 184, comprise 17 incorporated towns, 151 unincorporated villages, 5 unincorporated towns, 5 forts, 4 islands, and 2 stations (see Table 2). In Table 1 comparative figures are given for 1910 only, since the population of the judicial and recorders' districts can not generally be accurately determined from the census reports for earlier years. In Table 2 comparative figures for both 1910 and 1900 are given for all places for which such figures are available.

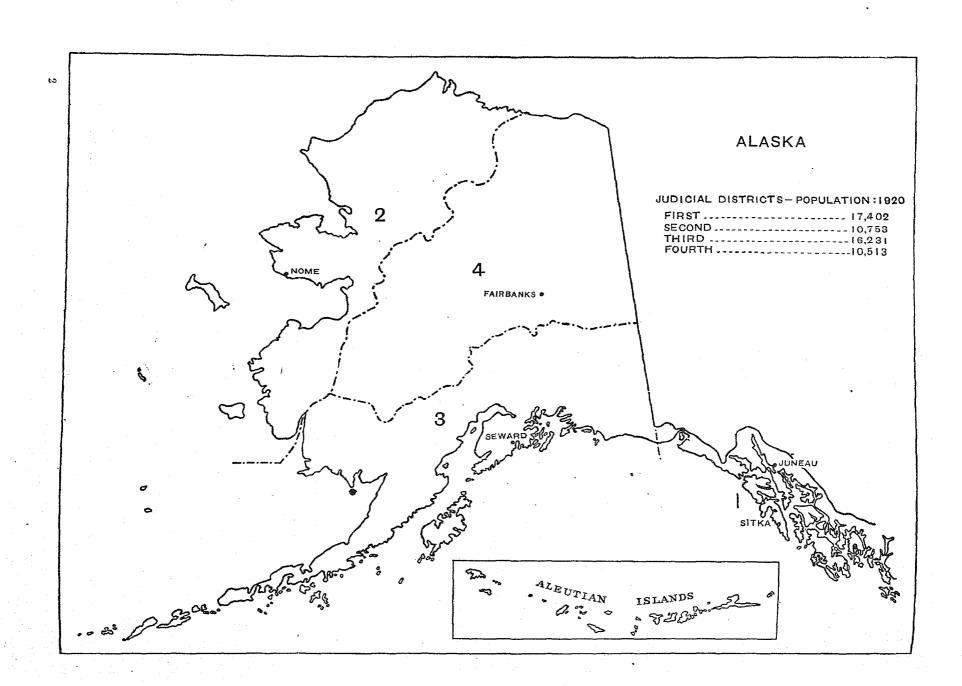


TABLE 1.—POPULATION OF JUDICIAL DISTRICTS BY MINOR CIVIL DIVISIONS: 1920 AND 1910. [District means recorder's district.]

		The state of the s	ecorder a distinct.		
MINOR CIVIL DIVISION.		1910	MINOR CIVIL DIVISION.	1920	1910
First Judicial District	17,402	15,216	Third Judicial District—Continued.	and a management of the second	
Juneau district, including Douglas and Juneau towns and Angoon, Killisnoo, Thane, and Treadwell villages. Ketchikan district, including Hyder, Ketchikan, and Met- lakatla towns and Bayview, Craig, Hidden Inlet, Hyda-	ñ <b>,</b> 803	ñ, 854	Kenai district, including Seward town and Hope, Kenai, Ninilchie, Port Graham, and Seldovn villaga. Kennecott district, including Chicana, Kennecott, and		
burg, Kasaan, Klawock, Saxman, and Shakan villages. Petersburg district, including Petersburg town and Kake and Scow Day villages.	5, 670	3,520	Kodiak district, in duding Aformal, Alabanik, Akhiok,		
Dry Bay Housel, Tenskes and Yakutat villages	1, 406 2, 350	2.210	Kaguraic, Kaituk, Kudak, Kodak, Od Haibur, Ouz- inkee, and Wood Island villages. Nushagak district, including Kel, Kutukak, Kwiglak,	1,465	
Skagway district, including Haines and Skagway towns, Khikwan village, and Fort Wm. II. Seward. Wrangell district, including Wrangell town	1, 219 864	1,980 1,652	Prince William Sound Alstrict Including Ellamor and	,	
Second Judicial District	10,753	2 12,351	Tatitlek villages. Unga Peninsula district, including Unga town and Belkofski, Company Harbor, Herendeen, Morzho oi, Pan-	2:19	 
Barrow district, including Barrow, Point Barrow, and Wajnwright villages.	658		loff Harbor, Perryville, Pirate Cove, Port Heiden, and Sand Point villages Valdez district, including Valdez town, Latouche village,	1, 429	
Council City district, including Council, Elim, Havenek,	1,029		and Fort Liseum,	1,233	
Shaklolik, and White Mountain villages. Fairhaven district, including Candle and Deering villages. Kongarok district, including Igloo village.	330		Fourth Judicial District		2 16,711
Noatak-Kobuk district, including Buckfaud, Kiana, Kiva- lina, Kotzebue, Noatak, Noorvik, Selawik, and Shung- nak yillages.	1,675		Chandalar district, Including Chandalar village.  Circle district, including Black River and Circle village: and Fort Yukon.		
Point Hope district, including Tigara village.  Port Clarence district, including Shishmaref, Teller, and	339		and Fort Yukon. Easle district, including Eagle town and Eagle (native) village. Fairbanks district, including Chem and Fairbanks towns		
Wales villages and Little Diomede Island St. Lawrence Island district, including Chivokok and Gam- bell villages.	596 304		and Cheng (natives, Garden Island, and Grach with ges. Fort Gibbon district, including Tanaria town, Caschales,	2,182	
St. Michael district, including Kotlik, St. Michael, and Unalakteet villages, and Fort St. Michael. Wade Hampton district 3 (part of), including Akiatosoak,	870		Hughes, Kolrines, and Tanana (native) villages, and Fort Globon.  Fortymic district, including Tanana Challing village		
Bethel, Kashimuk, Kinak, Kipueramiut, Mountain, Naneyaranarlegamiut, Napakiakamute, Nerifkagtuleg-			Holy Cross district. Hot Springs district, including Hot Springs village.	279 198	
amiut, Nunatshuagamiut, and Quigillingok villages, Nunivak Island, and Pilot Station	3, 934		Kantishna district. Koyukuk district, including Alatua, Allakaket, and South Fork villages.		
Third Judicial District	16,231	220,078	Kuskokwim district, including Akisk, Chagarante, Py- mute, and Tuluksak villages. Mount McKinley district, including McGrath village. *		
Aleutian Islands district, including Akutan, Atka, Biorka, Kashega, Umuak, and Unalaska villages, and St. George and St. Paul Islands. Bristol Bay district, including Chogiung, Dillingham,	1,080		Nenana district, including Minto (native), Nenana, and Nenana (native) villages. Nulata district, including Kaltag, Kayakuk, Louden.	1,25%	
Egegik, Naknek, and Nushagak villages	966		Nulato, and Ruby villages Ophir district, including Ophir village Otter district, including Iditared town and Flat village	145	
lages, and Susitna Station			), Kumpart district, menuling Rampart and Stavens villages. 5 Shageluk district, including Anvia and Shagelak villages.	274 402	
Center villages. Cordova district, including Cordova town and Eyak village. Illamna district, including Hamna and Nondalton villages.	1,555 290		Taliana district, including Livengood village.  Wade Hampton districts (part of), comprising Russian	2663	
Katalla district, including Katalla village	129		Mission village	90	

Table 2.—POPULATION OF INCORPORATED TOWNS AND OF UNINCORPORATED TOWNS, VILLAGES, STATIONS, AND FORTS: 1920, 1910, AND 1900.

	DISTRICT.		4030		1000		DISTRICT.		1920	1010	1000
PLACE,	Judicial.	Recorder's.	1920	1910	1900	PLACE.	Judicial.	Recorder's.	1020	1910	1900
INCORPORATED,						UNINCORPORATED—contd.					
Cordova town Douglas town Eagle town Fairbanks town Haines town		Cordová. Juneau. Eagle. Fairbanks. Skagway.	955 919 98 1, 155 314	1,152 1,722 178 3,541 445	825 383 85	Akutan village Alatna village Allakaket village Anchorage town Auggon village	Fourth Fourth Third	Aleutian Islands Koynkuk Koynkuk Enik Juneau	32 85		
Iditarod town Juneau town Ketchikan town Metlakatla town '	Fourth First First	Otter Juneau Ketchikan Ketchikan	3, 058 2, 458 574	1,644 1,613 602	459	Anvik village Atka village Barrow village Bavview village Belkofski village	Third Second First	Singeluk: Aleutian Islands Barrey Ketehikan Unga Peningula:	140 56 322 342 129	151 446	160
Nome town Petersburg town Seward town <sup>1</sup> . Sitka town <sup>3</sup> .	Third	Cape Nome Petersburg Kenal Sitka	852 879 652 1,175	2,600 585 534 1,639	* 12, 488 1, 396	Bethel village Biorka village Black River village Buckland village	Second Third Fourth	WadeHatupton. Abutlan Islands Circle Noatak-Kobuk			
Skagway town. Tanana town <sup>1</sup> Valdez town. Wrangell town. UNINCORFORATED.	Fourth	Skagway Fort Gibbon Valdez Wrangell	494 213 466 821	872 398 810 743	3, 117 186 315 868	Candle village Caschaket village Chematakar village Chematown 4 Chematown village	Fourth Fourth Fourth	Fairbaven Fair Gibben Chandalar Fairbanks Fairbanks	91 42 32 18 29	138	
Afognak village. Aiaktalik village Akhiok village Akiak village Akiatosoak village.	Third Third Fourth		308 72 94 150 106		307	Chichagoftown Chisana village Chitina village Chivokok village	Third	Sitta. Kennecott. Copper Center. St. Lawrence Island.	172 148 171 119		

Petersburg district organized from part of Wrangell district since 1910.
 Comparative figures for recorders' districts can not be given, judicial district having been redistricted since 1916.
 In judicial districts 2 and 4; combined population, 4,024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Returned in 1910 as unincorporated.

<sup>2</sup> Includes persons on vessels in port, the census having been taken during the rush to the gold fields.

<sup>3</sup> Sitka village (population, 539 in 1910) and Sitka (native) village (population 590 in 1915) consolidated and incorporated as a town since 1910. Not returned separately in 1900.

<sup>4</sup> Returned in 1910 as incorporated.

Table 2.—POPULATION OF INCORPORATED TOWNS AND OF UNINCORPORATED TOWNS, VILLAGES, STATIONS, AND FORTS: 1920, 1910, AND 1900—Continued.

PLACE.	DISTRICT.		Andrews Printer Trans	To produce the second			DISTRICT.		10.0		
	Judicial.	Recorder's.	1920	1910	1900	PLACE.	Judicial.	Recorder's.	1920	1910	1900
UNINCORPORATED—contd.		AN THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR				unincorporated-contd.					
Chogiung village. Circle village. Company Harbor village. Copper Center village. Council village.	Third Fourth Third Third Second	Unga Peninsula. Copper Center	182 96 45 71 109	165 144 91 289	145 242	Nanevaranarlegamiut village Napakiakamute village Nenana village Nenana (native) vill <b>a</b> ge Nerikkagtniegamiut village	Second Second Fourth Fourth Second	Wade Hampton Wade Hampton Nenana Nenana. Wade Hampton	95 173 634 172 96	166 190	
Craig village Deering village Dillingham village. Dry Bay village Eagle (native) village.	First Second	Ketchikan Fairhaven Bristol Bay	212 73 36 30 60			Ninilehie village Noatak village Nondalton village Noorvik village Nulato village	Third Second Third Second Fourth		87 164 69 281 258	121 230	
Eek village Eeggik village Elim village Ellamat village	Third Third Second Third	Nushagak Bristol Bay Council City	119 83 162 106			Nunatshuagamiut village Nunivak Island Nushagak village. Ohagamute village Old Harbor village.	Second Second Third Fourth Third	Wade Hampton Wade Hampton Bristol Bay Kuskokwim Kodiak	134 189 16 92 54		32
Eyak village Flat village Fort Gibbon Fort Liseum	Fourth	Cordova Otter Fort Gibbon	320 158 181 153			Ophir village Ouzinkee village Panloff Harbor village Perryville village (P. O. Chignik).	Fourth Third Third Third	Ophir. Kodiak. Unga Peninsula. Unga Peninsula.	22 96 62 85	122	,
Fort St. Michael. Fort Win, IF. Seward. Fort Yukon Gambell village. Garden Island village.	Fourth Second Fourth	Skagway Circle St. Lawrence Island. Fairbanks	186 310 48 93	255 321 221 217	156	Pilot Station. Pirate Cove village. Point Barrow village. Port Graham village.	Second Third Second Third	Wade Hampton Unga Peninsula. Barrow Kenai	145 98 91 47	127	
Graehl village Haycock village Herendeen village Hidden Inlet village Hoonab village	First	Council City Unga Peninsula. Ketchikan	61 114 51 31 402		447	Port Heiden village Pymute village Quigillingok village Quinbagak village. Rampart village.	Fourth Second Third Fourth	Unga Peninsula.  Kuskokwim  Wade Hampton Nushagak  Rampart.	89 104 103 121	111 83	20
Hope village Hot Springs village Hughes village Hydaburg village	Fourth Fourth First	Kenai. Hot Springs Fort Gibbon Ketchikan	44 29 45 346	101		Ruby village.  Russian Mission village.  St. George Island. St. Michael village.	Fourth Fourth Third Second	Wade Hampton Alcutian Islands St. Michael	128 90 138 371	90 415	85
Hyder town Igloo village Iliamna village Kaguyak village Kake village	First Second Third Third First	Kougarok Iliamna Kodiak	237 115 66 52 387	141		St. Paul Island Sand Point village.  Saxman village. Scow Bay village	Third Third First	Aleutian Islands Unga Peninsula. Ketchikan Petersburg	212 60 103 73	201 154	14
Kaltag village Karluk village Kasaan village Kashera village Kashunuk village	Third,	AleutianIslands	89 99 126 51 72	141 549 129	470	Scow Bay village Selawik villago Seldovla villago Slageluk village. Shakan village. Shaklolik villago. Shishmaref village.	Second Third Fourth First Second	Noatak-Kobuk Kenai Shageluk Ketchikan Council City	274 258 130 23 73	173 118	ġ
Katalla village Kenai village Keunecott village Kiana village Killisnoo village	/Whire!	Kennecott	84 332 494 98 256	188 250 351	290 172	Shishmaref village Shungnak village. South Fork village. Stovens village Susitna Station.	Second Second Fourth Fourth	Port Clarence  Noatak-Kobuk  Koyukuk  Rampart  Cook Inlet	131 95 29 103 48	210 100 233	
Kinak village Kipueramiut village Kivalina village Klawock village Klukwan village	Second Second First	Noatak-Kobuk. Ketchikan	192 90 87 19 167	241 245	131	Talkeetna village Tanana (native) village TananaCrossing village Tatitlek village	Third Fourth Fourth Third	Cook Inlet Fort Gibbon Fortymile Prince William Sound.	70 99 101 187	156	
Knatak village Knik village Kodiak village Kokrines village Kotlik village	Third Third Third Fourth Second	Kodiak Knik Kodiak Fort (libbon St. Michael	44 40 374 80 83	118 438 128	341	Toller village! Tenakee village. Thane village. Tigara village. Togiak village.	Second First First Second Third	Port Clarence Sitka	80 174 421 141 91	125 126	
Kotzebue village Koyukuk village Kulukak village Kwigluk village Latoucho village	Second Fourth Third Third	Noatak-Kobuk Nulato Nushagak Nushagak	230 124 83 93 505	193 121		Treadwell village <sup>2</sup> Tuluksak village Tyonek village Umnak village	First Fourth Third	Juneau. Kuskokwim Cook Inlet Aleutian Islands	325 73 58 83	1,222	
Little Diomede Island Livengood village Londen village McCarthy village McGrath village	Second Fourth Fourth	Port Clarence Tolovana Nulato Kennecott	101 131 64 127	90		Unalakleet village Unalaska village Unga town Wainwright village Wales village <sup>3</sup>	Second Third Third Second		285 299 313 99	247 281 108	
Minto (native) village Morzhovol village Mountain village Mumtrakmut village Naknek village	Fourth Fourth Third Second Third Third	Nenana Unga Peninsula. Wade Hampton Nushagak	58 60 136 138			White Mountain village Wood Island village Yakutat village.	Second Third First	Council City	198 104 165	108 271	22

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Teller village returned as Fuller in 1910.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Returned in 1910 as incorporated.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Wales village returned as Cape Prince of Wales in 1910.